IN THE LINITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE In re Patent Application of Atty Dkt. 163-34 C# M# DESGROSEILLERS et al SC/A.U. 1652 Serial No. 09/913,329 Examiner: Yong D. Pak Filed: August 21, 2001 Date: February 23, 2004 RECEIVED Title: NEW METALLOPROTEASES OF THE NEPRILYSIN FAMILY FEB 2 7 2004 Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir: RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon. Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached. Fees are attached as calculated below: Total effective claims after amendment 23 minus highest number (at least 20) = \$ previously paid for 20 54.00 3 Х \$ 18.00 Independent claims after amendment 2 minus highest number previously paid for 0.00 (at least 3) =\$ 86.00 3 X If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$290.00 (ignore improper) 0.00 Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s) (\$110.00/1 month; \$420.00/2 months; \$950.00/3 months) \$ 110.00 Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add \$ 110.00 \$ 0.00 First/second submission after Final Rejection pursuant to 37 CFR 1.129(a) (\$770.00) 0.00 ☐ Please enter the previously unentered , filed ☐ Submission attached Subtotal \$ 164.00 If "small entity," then enter half (1/2) of subtotal and subtract -\$ 0.00 Applicant claims "small entity" status. Rule 56 Information Disclosure Statement Filing Fee (\$180.00) \$ 0.00 Assignment Recording Fee (\$40.00) \$ 0.00

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